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In re Application of Debonte, et al. Application No. 09/771,904 Filed: April 9, 2001 Attorney Docket No. 07148-063003 For: FATTY ACID DESATURASES AND MUTANT SEQUENCES THEREOF

DECISION NOTING JOINDER OF INVENTOR AND PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.47(a) MOOT

This is in response to the April 9, 2001 petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.47(a).

In view of the joinder of the inventors, further consideration under 37 C.F.R. §1.47(a) is not necessary and the petition is considered to be moot. This application does <u>not</u> have any Rule 1.47(a) status and no such status should appear on the file wrapper. This application need not be returned to this Office for further consideration under 37 C.F.R. §1.47(a).

This file is being forwarded to Technology Center 3700.

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